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during his stay in England. It is something like a typewriter. Composing is done on these 'Vari-typers' and copies are taken on Roto-prints."

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" Sir, is it something like lino-typing or mono-typing?"

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" Sir, may I commend to the hon. Member that he may pay a visit to the Government Press so that he can satisfy himself about it?"

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" Sir, I am thankful for the suggestion and I think that necessary facilities will be provided."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" Sir, in view of the fact that when more than a thousand copies are taken, the impressions are not sharp but get blurred, may I know why the Government should install such wasteful machinery like 'Vari-typers'?"

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" Sir, the hon. Member seems to know more of the technique than what I can profess to know. However, if he gives due notice, I shall get the answer."

Increase in the fee for the E.S.L.C. Public Examination.

* 518 *Q.*—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the reasons for the increase in the fee for the E.S.L.C. Public Examination?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Elementary Science was made a compulsory subject for the examination and the examination fee was enhanced so as to meet the extra expenditure involved."

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" Sir, in view of the fact that the E.S.L.C. Examination is usually taken by very poor students in the countryside, will the Government try to see that the examination is made as cheap as possible so that more and more boys and girls can have the benefit of this examination?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, we are not making any profits out of this examination."

SRI M. PALANIYANDI :—" எலிமெண்டரி சயன்ஸ் கட்டாயப்படுத்தப்படுவதால் அதிகப் பணம் செலவழிக்கப்படுகிறது ; அதற்காக அதிகம் வசூலிக்கப்படுகிறது என்று கூறுகிறார்கள். எதற்காகப் பணம் வசூலிக்கப்படவேண்டுமென்று கேட்கிறேன் ?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The addition of Elementary Science as a compulsory subject means that there is one more question paper, the answer papers of which have also got to be corrected and it involves extra expenditure."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" ஹைஸ்கூலில் மூன்றாவது பாரம் படிக்கும் மாணவனுக்கு எந்தவிதமான பணமும் பரீட்சைக்கு வசூலிக்கப்படுவதில்லை; ஆனால் எட்டாவது வகுப்பு படிக்கும் ஈ. எஸ். எல். சி. மாணவன் மட்டும் சர்க்காருக்குப் பணம் கட்டி பரீட்சை எழுதவேண்டியிருக்கிறது. இந்தமாதிரி ஒரே தரத்திலுள்ள மாணவர்களுக்கு இரண்டு விதமான வித்தியாசம் இருக்கிறதே, இதைப் போக்குவதற்கு சர்க்கார் முன் வருவார்களா ?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The hon. Member should learn the difference between Higher Elementary School Education and Middle School Education which automatically leads to High School Education."

SRI A. RATNAM :—" எலிமெண்டரி பாடசாலையில் ஈ.எஸ்.எல்.சி. பாஸ் பண்ண மாணவன் ஹைஸ்கூலில் இரண்டாம் பாரத்திலும், முதல் பாரத்திலும் சேர்க்கப்படுவது கஷ்டமாக இருக்கிறது. அந்த அளவுக்கு மோசமான நிலையில் பரீட்சை நடத்தப்படுகிறதென்று தெரிகிறது. இதைத் திருத்துவதற்கு அரசாங்கம் முன் வருமா ?"

MR. SPEAKER :—" The main question is in regard to the expenditure on account of the E.S.L.C. Examination. The hon. Member is going into the question of the standard of the examination."

Collection of figures on language basis in certain district in this State by a Special Officer of the Andhra State.

* 519 *Q.*—SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a Special Officer of Andhra State by name Sri Basava Raju is collecting figures based on language in the areas of North Arcot district, City of Madras and Chingleput district; and

(*b*) whether the said Special Officer has taken permission from the Government of Madras to do this work in the areas belonging to Madras State?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, this is one of the short notice questions put by the hon. Member. The answer is—

(*a*) The Government have no information in the matter.

(*b*) No such permission has been sought by the Special Officer of the Andhra Government or by the Andhra Government."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Sir, if the Government are not aware of the fact which has been brought to their notice directly, is the Minister in charge of the portfolio at least aware of the news which appeared in the Press that the Special Officer concerned came to Madras, North Arcot and Chingleput districts and collected relevant figures from non-officials? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, we cannot prevent any citizen of the Indian Union from moving from place to place but, with reference to this question, no official information was given nor was any permission sought for this purpose."